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Asst. Vicar

### Message from the Asst. Vicar

*My beloved in Christ Jesus,*

Since 1980's Kerala has had a number of sudden occurrence of new diseases Chikungunia, Dengu, Japanese encephalitis etc. Each time the Government conducts studies and remedial measures which are incompetent to meet this drastic event. We are to be aware of environmental degradation and neglect. Let us uphold the families affected by this epidemic that they may quickly recover and regain strength.

Human Community and earth community should live in right relationship. To love our neighbour means to love other human beings and also every fact of creation. We are called to life giving and life enhancing relationship. This is the mission of the church. Of course every form of mission leads to some form of Cross. The shape of mission is Cruciform. We are able to understand mission only in terms of the Cross. The cross calls us to a radical and costly kind of mission.

Through transfiguration Jesus himself gets a divine endorsement to his mission also it was intended to strengthen the disciple's faith and prepare them for his cross and death. It invites us to experience the mystery of God and challenge us to be on the task ahead of us with strength and hope. We receive strength for mission through participating in Holy Communion. The Apostles who turned the world upside down got strength through worship and breaking of bread. Through participating in the spiritual activities of the church, we should be refined and strengthened for mission. The more closely we walk with Christ the more we rooted and established in faith. Let us put on the new man and live to righteousness. May the Lord help us to run with perseverance the race that is set for us.

Yours in His Service  
Chacko achen

*From your Parish Secretary...*

My dear Parishioners,

Loving greetings in His blessed name.

This month we mark the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of one of the pivotal events of the 20th century, the Independence Day of democratic India, on 15th August. Celebrate the free spirit of India and share the pride of being a part of such a glorious nation.

Onam, the biggest festival of Kerala is also celebrated this month. The beauty of the festival lies in its secular fabric. May the celebrations of this year, create an atmosphere of peace, brotherhood, prosperity and harmony.

Even in the midst of these celebrations we should understand that the growing materialism and commercialism widened the gap between the rich and the poor and increased the exploitation. Love which is a fruit of the Holy Spirit is almost extinct. Self love, irreverence and a growing indifference to moral scruples have become the order of the day. Exploitation could end and caring and sharing mindset become widespread, only if Christ abides in each individual and he/she abides in him.

With Prayers and Regards,

SHAJI K THOMAS  
Parish Secretary.

## HOLY COMMUNION

>> Thursdays at 7.30pm. Fridays at 7.30am <<>> 1st Sunday at 8.00pm. Third Friday at 7.00pm <<  
>> English Service on Fourth Friday at 7.30am <<

### Lectionary & Area Acolytes

Date	Acolytes From	Ist Lesson	IInd Lesson	Epistle
02/08/2007 Thu	CA	Amos	Romans	James
03/08/2007 Fri	DXB	02: 01-08	05: 01-11	05: 01-06
05.08.07 Sun	IM			
09/08/2007 Thu	KHS	Exodus	I Corinthians	Romans
10/08/2007 Fri	MC	08: 15-22	15: 35-41	08: 18-25
16/08/2007 Thu	MM	Exodus	Revelation	I Corinthians
17/08/2007 Fri	NS	16: 04-24	19: 01-10	10: 01-17
17/08/2007 7.00pm	RCH			
23/08/2007 Thu	RSQ	II Kings	I Corinthians	Ephesians
24/08/2007 Fri	SCS	23: 01-15	13: 01-13	04: 17-32
30/08/2007 Thu	UAQ	Proverbs	Colossians	James
31/08/2007 Fri	ABS	02: 01-12	02: 01-07	03: 13-18
02/09/2007 Sun	AJM			
06/09/2007 Thu	BMN	Exodus	Acts	Romans
07/09/2007 Fri	CA	01: 15-22	18: 24-28	16: 01-10

### Welcome to New Members ...

Sl.	Name	ID	Home Parish	Area	Contact No.
1	Mr. Zachariah John	Z-10	Sehion M T Thumpamon North	CA	06-5663281
2	Mr. Reji Varghese	R-127	St Thomas Marthoma Kozhencherry	ABS	050-5865437
3	Mr. Shaji Philip George	S-284	Salem M T Kundara East	AJM	06-7436155
4	Mr. Jerry Thompson	J-304	Thazhakara M.T.C.	DXB	050-6612524
5	Mr. Biju Abraham Kadakampally	B-156	Salem Marthoma Karipuzha	RCH	06-5642521
6	Mr. T.a. Mathews	T-187	M T Paruthipara - Tvam	MC	06-5569954
7	Mr. Thomas P.t.	T-188	Chunakkara St. Thomas Marthoma	BMN	050-7869749
8	Mr. Varghese G. Yohannan	V-114	St. Thomas M.T.C. Tholicodu, Punalur	BMN	050-5196835
9	Mr. Thomas Puthenpurayil Oommen	T-189	St. Andrews Mar Thoma Church Kaylan (East)	ABS	050-4920198
10	Mr. Saji Philip John	S-285	St. George M.T.C. Alappuzha	DXB	050-8095930
11	Ms. Helena Visnakova	H-1	Church Of Virgin Mary Cmarabovrice	DXB	04-2615570
12	Mr. Abraham Mathew	A-203	Christos M.T.C. Nedumpuram	IM	06-5721096
13	Mr. Mathew P Issac	M-167	Bethel M.T.C. Panavely	RSQ	050-5569954
14	Mr. Manu Mathew	M-166	Marthoma Church Maramon	SCS	050-7162835
15	Mr. Pramo George	P-83	Immanuel Marthoma Church Mund Athanam	AJM	050-1631018
16	Mr. Thomas C Philip	T-190	Bethel M T Mannamaruthy	RCH	06-5687248
17	Mr. Rony Mathew	R-128	St. Thomas M.T.C. Thevally Kollam	DXB	050-2716591
18	Mr. Raimon Mathew	R-129	St. Thomas M.T.C. Thevally Kollam	NS	050-8654534

## Organization Events

### Sunday School

Re-opens on 07.09.2007

### Parish Mission

Sundays 8.30 pm at Church

### Yuvajana Sakhyam

Saturdays 8.30 pm at Church

### Sevika Sanghom

Wednesdays 8.30 pm at Parish Hall

Fasting Prayers on 3rd Sunday at 9.30 am at Church

### FASTING PRAYER

Every Friday 10.30 am at Church

### CHOIR PRACTICE

Every Wednesday 8.30 pm to 10.30 pm

### Area Prayer Meetings

Area	Date	Time	Venue	Hosted by	ID No.	Tel. No
DXB	03.08.07	6.30PM	RESIDENCE	Mr. Mony Jose Cherian	M-59	050-7868629
AJM	06.08.07	8.30PM	RESIDENCE	Mr. Shibua Joseph	S-60	050-4816924
MC	07.08.07	8.30PM	CHURCH	Mr. Geoji George	G-87	050-6532107
RCH	13.08.07	8.30PM	CHURCH	Mr. T.A. Abraham	A-5	050-4990896
				Mr. Mathew Abraham	M-40	050-4990898
MM	14.08.07	8.30PM	RESIDENCE	Mr. Zachariah Thomas	Z-002	050-6322710
CA	20.08.07	8.30PM	CHURCH	Mr. Mathew M. Johnson	M-56	050-7657029
SCS	20.08.07	8.30PM	CHURCH	Mr. Johny Philips	J-207	050-2342015
BMN	21.08.07	8.30PM	CHURCH	Mr. Binu Abraham	B-94	050-5255938
ABS	21.08.07	8.30PM	CHURCH	Mr. Anil George	A-152	050-5759981
				Mr. Mathews Abraham	M-139	050-6381633
NS	27.08.07	8.30PM	CHURCH	Mr. John Mathew	J-170	050-7864856
IM	27.08.07	8.30PM	CHURCH	Mr. Biju Mathew	B-47	050-7909110
KHS	28.08.07	8.30PM	CHURCH	Contact Area Secretary		
RSQ	28.08.07	8.30PM	CHURCH	Contact Area Secretary		
UAQ	7.00pm ON ALL Fridays Except 3rd Sunday			Contact Area Secretary		050-5173053

## Condolences

Smt. Thankamma Abraham, 68 years  
Mother of Mr. P.A. Thomas (ID T-72) KHS  
Mother of Mr. Zacharia Abraham (ID Z-5) KHS  
Mother of Mr. Saji A. Mathew (ID S-122) KHS  
and Mother in law of  
Mr. K.A. Abraham (ID A-55) KHS

Mr. Joy, 31 years  
Nephew of Mr. P.V Abraham (ID A4) RSQ

Mrs. Saramma Varghese, 89 years  
Grandmother of Mr. Saji K. Abraham (ID S-242) AJM

Mr. E.M. Thomas, 77 years  
Father in law of Mr. Rajji Joseph T. (ID R91) CA

Mr. Daniel Daniel, 82 years  
Father of Mr. Jose Daniel, (ID J59) KHS

Mr. E.V. Mathai, 85 years  
Father of Mr. Thomas Mathew, (ID T102) UAQ

Mrs. Aleyamma John, 99 years  
Grandmother of Mr. John Joseph, (ID J148) RSQ

Mrs. Saramma Varghese, 80 years  
Mother of Mr. Varuga Varghese, (ID V10) MM

Mr. K.T. Thomas, 100 years  
Grandfather of Mr. Charly Thomas, (ID C33) MC

Mr. Chandy Varghese, 82 years  
Father of Mrs. Annamma Chandy, (ID A191) MM

Mr. Varghese Mathai, 97 years  
Father of Mr. T.M. George Kutty, (ID G12) IM

Mrs. Saramma Thomas, 91 years  
Mother in law of Mr. Sunny K. Philip, (ID S81) RCH

Mr. K.M. John, 63 years  
Father of Mr. Sajjan John, (ID S141) SCS

Mr. Issac Daniel, 65 years  
Brother of Mr. Thomas Daniel, (ID T48) MM

Mrs. Chinnamma George, 81 years  
Mother of Mr. George Mathai, (ID G16) MC

Mr. Varghese, 57 years  
Father in law of Mr. Jiji K. Abraham, (ID J205) CA

The Sharjah Mar Thoma Parish expresses heartfelt condolences to the bereaved family members on the sad demise of their beloved ones.

May God's care strengthen and comfort them.

### Sneha Sangamam 2007

15 /08/2007 at Marthoma parish hall Kozhencherry

### HolyLand Tour by Parish Mission

05/10/2007 to 11/10/2007

For more details contact the convenor Mr. Cherian Thomas (050-6263398)

### Onam Family Get together

On 24th August 2007 from 11.00AM onwards at Sharjah Marthoma Parish hall.

For coupons please contact Yuvajana Sakhyam Officials.

### Vidyarambam

Special prayer for the newly joining school children at 6.00PM On 31/08/2007.

Register your ward's name with the yuvajana Sakhyam Officials

### VBS

From 23/09/2007 to 05/10/2007

### Air Tickets

Church is donating 14 air tickets for amnesty seekers who cannot afford to pay for their way home.

For more details contact the Church officials

All the officials of the organizations and prayer groups are requested to handover the matters to be published in the bulletin on or before 25th of every month to the vicar or the parish secretary

For more information, please contact: \_\_\_\_\_

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